

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1 1. A portable computer comprising:
2 a computer housing;
3 a keyboard carried by said computer housing;
4 a display device having an obverse viewing surface and a reverse
5 surface; and
6 a mounting assembly that couples said display device to said computer
7 housing, said mounting assembly including an integral, single-piece, member
8 extending between said display device and said computer housing, said integral,
9 single-piece, member having a first end portion connected to said computer
10 housing in a substantially non-slidable manner and a second end portion
11 connected to said display device, said display device being adjustable between a
12 closed position in which the display device covers the keyboard with said reverse
13 surface with the obverse viewing surface exposed and an open position in which
14 the keyboard is uncovered and the display device is positioned rearwardly of the
15 keyboard at a viewing angle with the obverse viewing surface positioned toward
16 the keyboard.
- 1 2. The portable computer as defined in Claim 1, further including a latch
2 assembly for latching said display device to said computer housing.
- 1 3. The portable computer as defined in Claim 2, wherein said computer
2 housing has a front portion and a rear portion, and wherein said latch assembly is located
3 approximately midway between said front portion and said rear portion.
- 1 4. The portable computer as defined in Claim 3, wherein said computer
2 housing has first and second side margins extending between said front portion and said
3 rear portion, and wherein said latch assembly is located adjacent at least one of said first
4 and second side margins.
- 1 5. The portable computer as defined in Claim 4, wherein said latch assembly
2 includes a retractable latch member and a slotted wall for retractably receiving said latch
3 member.

1 6. The portable computer as defined in Claim 5, wherein said latch member
2 is carried by said display device and wherein said slotted wall is a portion of said
3 computer housing.

1 7. The portable computer as defined in Claim 4, wherein said latch assembly
2 includes first and second retractable latch members and corresponding first and second
3 slotted walls, said first latch member and said first side wall being located adjacent said
4 first side margin, and said second latch member and said second side wall being located
5 adjacent said second side margin.

1 8. The portable computer as defined in Claim 1, wherein said computer
2 housing has a front portion, a rear portion and first and second side margins extending
3 therebetween, and wherein said portable computer further includes a mounting means for
4 pivotally mounting said display device to said computer housing.

1 9. The portable computer as defined in Claim 1, wherein said computer
2 housing has a rear wall portion with a recess formed therein, and wherein said computer
3 includes a power pack having a shape conformable with said recess for enabling
4 removable attachment of said power pack to said computer housing.

1 10. The portable computer as defined in Claim 9, wherein said power pack
2 includes a receptacle area for accommodating a battery power source.

1 11. The portable computer as defined in Claim 9, wherein said power pack
2 includes a battery charging circuit.

1 12. The portable computer as defined in Claim 1, wherein said display device
2 includes a display operable in conjunction with a stylus.

1 13. The portable computer as defined in Claim 12, wherein said stylus is
2 electrically conductive.

1 14. The portable computer as defined in Claim 12, wherein said display device
2 further includes a mask region adjacent said viewing surface and a receptacle formed in
3 said mask region to receive and hold said stylus.

1 15. The portable computer as defined in Claim 1, wherein said computer
2 housing includes means for mounting a stylus thereto.

1 16. The portable computer as defined in Claim 1, wherein said computer
2 housing includes support means for inclining said computer housing at an angle when
3 said portable computer is placed on a support surface.

1 17. The portable computer as defined in Claim 16, wherein said support
2 means is integrally formed in the bottom wall of said computer housing.

1 18. The portable computer as defined in Claim 1, wherein said display device
2 is sized to cover substantially all of said computer housing when said display device is in
3 the closed position.

1 19. The portable computer as defined in Claim 1, further comprising clip
2 means for removably securing a conductive stylus to at least one of the computer housing
3 and the display device.